ARIZONA CROP PROGRESS



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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JULY 14, 2019

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: By the end of the week, cotton squaring had reached 95 percent complete compared with 93 percent last year, cotton setting bolls stage had reached 33 percent complete compared with 39 percent last year and bolls opening stage had reached 2 percent, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Cotton conditions were rated mostly good to fair. Alfalfa conditions were rated mostly good to excellent, depending on location last week with harvesting taking place on three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State. For the entire State, pasture and range conditions were rated mostly fair to good. In the northeastern part of the State, reporters identified good range conditions at high elevation areas with adequate surface water. In the lower areas, the conditions are dry and combined with some early seasonal winds, fire risk is high. Some isolated areas have received some monsoon rains in the north central part of the State, but dry conditions affected range land in most areas. In the northwestern part of the State, forage is drying rapidly. In the southeastern part of the State, due to late cool temperatures, pests and dust storms, the majority of the cotton growing is behind normal.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Cotton						
Squaring	95	85	93	88		
Setting Bolls	33	24	39	45		
Bolls Opening	2	1		1		

NA – not available

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for fieldwork	7.0	7.0	6.5	6.9
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	2	2	3	2
Short	17	12	7	19
Adequate	81	85	86	76
Surplus		1	4	3
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	5	4	3	6
Short	16	11	6	15
Adequate	73	80	87	77
Surplus	6	5	4	2

NA – not available

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CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	•	* '	* /	
Very poor			1	3
Poor	4	5	5	3
Fair	13	17	23	18
Good	63	60	40	42
Excellent	20	18	31	34
Cotton				
Very poor				1
Poor	4	9		1
Fair	19	17	63	22
Good	67	67	29	50
Excellent	10	7	8	26
Pasture and range				
Very poor	5	3	68	29
Poor	16	18	20	20
Fair	41	33	8	29
Good	37	45	4	20
Excellent	1	1		2

NA – not available

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